

MINUTES  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF YORK

Adjourned Meeting  
March 22, 2005

7:00 p.m.

Meeting Convened. An Adjourned Meeting of the York County Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 22, 2005, in the Board Room, York Hall, by Chairman James S. Burgett.

Attendance. The following members of the Board of Supervisors were present: Walter C. Zarembo, Sheila S. Noll, Kenneth L. Bowman, James S. Burgett, and Thomas G. Shepperd, Jr.

Also in attendance were James O. McReynolds, County Administrator; J. Mark Carter, Assistant County Administrator; and James E. Barnett, County Attorney.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2006 BUDGET**

Mr. McReynolds provided a brief explanation of the proposed budget, stating that the total proposed budget was \$102.44 million, an increase of 7.5 percent or \$7.18 million over the last fiscal year budget. He noted there no changes proposed for the tax rates.

Chairman Burgett then called to order a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year 2006 Budget which was duly advertised as required by law.

Mrs. Martha McCartney, President of Heritage Humane Society, thanked the Board for working with the Society one more year. She noted this was the first year the Society's budget had been prepared with input by the County's Animal Control personnel. She stated the Society had made huge strides toward construction of a new shelter. A long-term lease on property had been obtained from the City of Williamsburg, and an architect was hired who designed a facility sized just under 9,000 square feet. The design plan has been sent to the State Veterinarian for approval. Mrs. McCartney stated the Society had also kicked off its capital campaign, hoping to raise over \$600,000 and to start site work in the fall.

Mr. Phil Emerson, Jamestown/Yorktown Foundation, stated that visitation at the Victory Center had doubled since the last renovation in 1995, and the Foundation was working hard to insure that Yorktown and the Victory Center are not lost in the 2007 celebration. He spoke of programs offered by the Foundation, noting that free admission was provided to York County residents, and education programming was offered to over 4,000 school students. He stated that \$600,000 in paid advertising is spent each year, and the County's dollars and partnership go a long way to support private donations. Mr. Emerson stated the Foundation appreciated the County's continued support.

Mr. Joe Taylor, 109 Marlbank Drive, stated he was pleased to learn that over 50 percent of the County's revenue stream was coming from business this year. He asked how many of the 11.5 positions were absolutely essential, and he questioned providing funding to the Peninsula SPCA and the Heritage Humane Society, stating he did not feel the should use taxpayers money to support advocacy groups and groups having management. Mr. Taylor also asked if a supervisor was really needed with the added four-man team in Mosquito Control, stating he felt it was over-management. He questioned the need for the new position of Risk Manager and Loss Administrator in Financial and Management Services, stating he felt the Treasurer should have this function. Mr. Taylor stated he would reserve the rest of his remarks in a letter to each of the Board members concerning the library operations.

There being no one else present who wished to speak concerning the subject proposed FY2006 Budget, Chairman Burgett closed the public hearing.

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PROPOSED 2005 TAX RATES

Chairman Burgett called to order a public hearing on the proposed Ordinance No. 05-3 which was duly advertised as required by law and is entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO IMPOSE TAX LEVIES UPON TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY, UPON MACHINERY AND TOOLS, UPON MOBILE HOMES, AND UPON REAL ESTATE FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2005, AND TO PRORATE TAXES ON MOBILE HOMES

There being no one present who wished to speak concerning the subject ordinance, Chairman Burgett closed the public hearing.

Meeting Adjourned. At 7:13 p.m. Chairman Burgett declared the meeting adjourned sine die.

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James O. McReynolds, Clerk  
York County Board of Supervisors

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James S. Burgett, Chairman  
York County Board of Supervisors